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Dear Mr. Lyle D. Jaffe:

This letter is in regard to the petition to ban forced molting of layer hens (docket 98P-0203/CP). All animals, including humans, have a nervous and limbic system in their brains built so that their bodies are able to feel fear and pain. This is a proven scientific fact, and widely accepted in the biological community in laboratories and universities. Because all animals can feel pain and fear means that the way chickens are treated today constitutes torture. **I would like to express that I support the petition to ban forced molting of layer hens (docket 98P-0203/CP).**

Sincerely,



Michelle D. Mersy-Frank

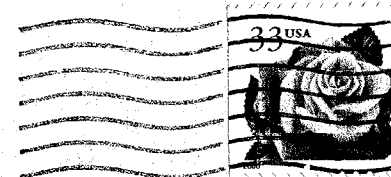
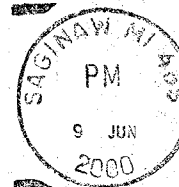
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